

CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES AGENCY

NOTICE OF EMERGENCY AND PROPOSED RULEMAKING

The Director of the Child and Family Services Agency, acting pursuant to section 303 of the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect Act of 1977, effective September 23, 1977 (D.C. Law 12-22; D.C. Official Code § 4-1303.03(a-1)(12) (2008 Repl.) hereby gives notice of the adoption on an emergency basis of an amendment to Section 6323.7 of Chapter 63 (Licensing of Independent Living Programs for Adolescents and Young Adults) of Title 29 (Public Welfare) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.

The emergency action is based upon an immediate need to protect the health, safety and welfare of foster children by ensuring they receive necessary services and supervision. The emergency rules were adopted and became effective on January 12, 2010. They will remain in effect for one hundred twenty (120) days from the date of adoption, unless earlier rescinded or superseded by a Notice of Final Rulemaking.

The Director also gives notice of his intent to take final rulemaking action to adopt these rules in not less than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice in the *D.C. Register*.

Section 6323.7 of Chapter 63 of Title 29 DCMR is amended to read as follows:

6323.7 An independent living program shall employ at least one (1) social worker for every twenty (20) residents or part thereof. The social worker shall be responsible for the daily implementation of the social services provided to residents.

Copies of this proposed rulemaking may be obtained by contacting James Toscano, General Counsel, Child and Family Services Agency, 400 6th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20024 or by visiting www.dcregs.org. All persons desiring to comment on the proposed rulemaking must submit their written comments to James Toscano at the address above no later than thirty (30) days after the date of publication of this notice in the D.C. Register.